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- original patent application,
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Enclosed are:

- The Declaration and Power of Attorney. signed unsigned or partially signed
 2 sheets of drawings (one set) Associate Power of Attorney
 Form PTO-1449 Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449
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